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Observer status for the West African Economic and Monetary Union in the General Assembly

Report of the Sixth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The item entitled "Observer status for the West African Economic and Monetary Union in the General Assembly" was included in the agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly at the request of Togo.
2. At its 52nd plenary meeting, on 9 November 2011, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include the item in its agenda and to allocate it to the Sixth Committee.
3. The Sixth Committee considered the item at its 30th meeting, on 11 November 2011. The views of the representatives who spoke during the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.6/66/SR.30).
4. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it a letter dated 26 October 2011 from the Permanent Representative of Togo to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/66/232).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.6/66/L.28

5. At the 30th meeting, on 11 November, the representative of Togo, on behalf of Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Egypt, Eritrea, Finland, France, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, the Niger, Senegal, the Sudan and Togo, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Observer status for the West African Economic and Monetary Union in the General Assembly" (A/C.6/66/L.28).
6. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/66/L.28 without a vote (see para. 8).

7. The representatives of Argentina and Lichtenstein made statements in explanation of position after the adoption of the draft resolution (see A/C.6/66/SR.30).

III. Recommendation of the Sixth Committee

8. The Sixth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Observer status for the West African Economic and Monetary Union in the General Assembly

The General Assembly,

Wishing to promote cooperation between the United Nations and the West African Economic and Monetary Union,

1. *Decides* to invite the West African Economic and Monetary Union to participate in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly in the capacity of observer;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take the necessary action to implement the present resolution.